ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಈ ಮೆಡಿಕಲ್ ಕಾಲೇಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೀಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಕೆ ಮಾಡುವುದರಲ್ಲಿ ಏನೇನು ಹಗರಣ ಗಳಾಗುತ್ತಿವೆ ಎಂಬುದು ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆ. ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕೂಡ ಅನೇಕ ಅರ್ಜಿ ದೂರುಗಳು ಬಂದಿವೆ. ಇವತ್ತು ಒಂದೊಂದೇ ಪ್ರಕರಣಗಳನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಮಾತನಾಡುತ್ತಾ ಹೋದರೆ ಖಂಡಿತವಾಗಿಯೂ ಈ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಅಧಿಕಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಂದುವರಿಯಲು ಅರ್ಹತೆ ಇಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ಇಷ್ಟು ಮಾತುಗಳನ್ನು ಹೇಳಲು ನನಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಟ್ಟ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷಣಿಯವರಿಗೆ ವಂದಿಸಿ ನನ್ನ ಮಾತುಗಳನ್ನು ಮುಗಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ANNOUNCEMENT

MR. SPEAKER : I have received a letter dated 25th September, 1979 from Sri M. Nagappa (Kanakageri) Member, Legislative Assembly stating that he has joined Karnataka Congress Legislature Party.

SRI BASAVARAJ PATIL, Member, Legislative Assembly from Lingasugur Constituency has written to me in his letter dated 25th September, 1979 that he has joined Karnataka Congress.

Seating arrangements will be made accordingly.

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SETTY (Minister for Education).–Madam Certain wild allegations have been made bythe Hon. the Deputy Leader of the Opposition Sri Veerappa Moily regarding increasing the seats in engineering colleges. We have increased the seats in engineering colleges but those increases have been made after getting the report from the competent authorities *i. e.* the Director of Technical Education regarding the facilities available in the colleges. We were constrained to increase the number of seats in the engineering colleges here. When we went strictly according to marks in the general pool, it stopped at 89% and below 89% no student could get a seat in the engineering colleges in Karnataka. One student who got 87% marks came and stood before me and asked for a seat. We told him the fact that it has stopped at 89%. He wept and askee how much more he had to read. This is the state of mind of thosd boys. Many students had such a state of mind so much so there was a sort of desperation in the minds of the students. So, we increased the seats and by increasing the seats all the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students who had applied for engineering seats got seats and in the general pool it came to 82% and most of the students were accommodated. Many of the M.L. As from this side as well as from the other side have asked for seats in the engineering colleges and they have given in writing to me that such and such friend should be helped because though the Government put in certain restrictions in regard to donations, the complaint was that the managements took more donation. Naturally, the M.L As asked me to